

Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

Tanzania's 'Haven of Peace' is anything but quiet — a sensory-rich East African metropolis of fish markets, colonial churches, and Indian Ocean island gateways. Not a tourist bubble; a real, vibrant city.

Docked (commercial pier) Typical call: 8–10 hrs TZS / USD accepted Swahili & English East Africa gateway

👉 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____	Arrive: _____	All aboard: _____
Excursion: _____	Notes: _____	

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Alongside berth at Port of Dar es Salaam — no tendering. Industrial cargo port; port shuttle required to gate.

Best For: Culture, history, Zanzibar day trip, wildlife safari excursions, Swahili cuisine

Walk to centre: Not walkable from port gates — take a tuk-tuk (bajaji), Uber/Bolt, or tour vehicle. National Museum is ~15 min by taxi.

Don't Miss: Kivukoni Fish Market at dawn, Tingatinga Arts Cooperative, or the fast ferry to Zanzibar

Getting around: **Taxi** ✓ \$15–25 USD · **Rideshare** ✓ Bolt

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Dar City Highlights & National Museum** — Hit the National Museum & House of Culture (home to Olduvai Gorge fossils and slave-trade exhibits), the Azania Front Lutheran Church, Askari...
- **Fast Ferry to Zanzibar Stone Town** — Board the Azam Marine high-speed ferry (1 hr 45 min) to Zanzibar and spend a few hours exploring Stone Town's labyrinth of spice-scented alleys, the...
- **Bongoyo Island Marine Reserve** — A 30-minute boat from The Slipway puts you on a pristine white-sand island in the Dar es Salaam Marine Reserve.
- **Mikumi or Nyerere Day Safari** — Dar is the gateway to Tanzania's southern wildlife circuit.
- **Kivukoni Fish Market & Street Food Walk** — Start at dawn as fishermen auction the catch — sailfish, red snapper, octopus — then wander to nearby stalls for chips mayai (fries in egg omelet)...

BEST WALKS

- **Waterfront Heritage Loop** 1.5 km · 30 min · Flat — From the Kivukoni Ferry Terminal, walk south past the Azania Front Lutheran Church (1898), St.
- **Msasani Slipway & Oyster Bay** By taxi · Coco Beach & waterfront — Take a tuk-tuk or Uber to The Slipway — a waterfront complex with craft markets, boutiques, and seafood restaurants.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

🌤️ CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)				🌅 DAYLIGHT & 💰 MONEY	
Mon	High	Low	Rain	Apr 6:24AM–6:21PM · Jun 6:31AM–6:15PM · Aug 6:30AM–6:23PM · Sep 6:16AM–6:19PM · Oct 6:01AM–6:16PM	
Apr	85°	75°	26d	TZS / USD accepted	
Jun	83°	72°	8d		
Aug	84°	71°	9d		
Sep	85°	72°	11d		
Oct	86°	74°	13d		

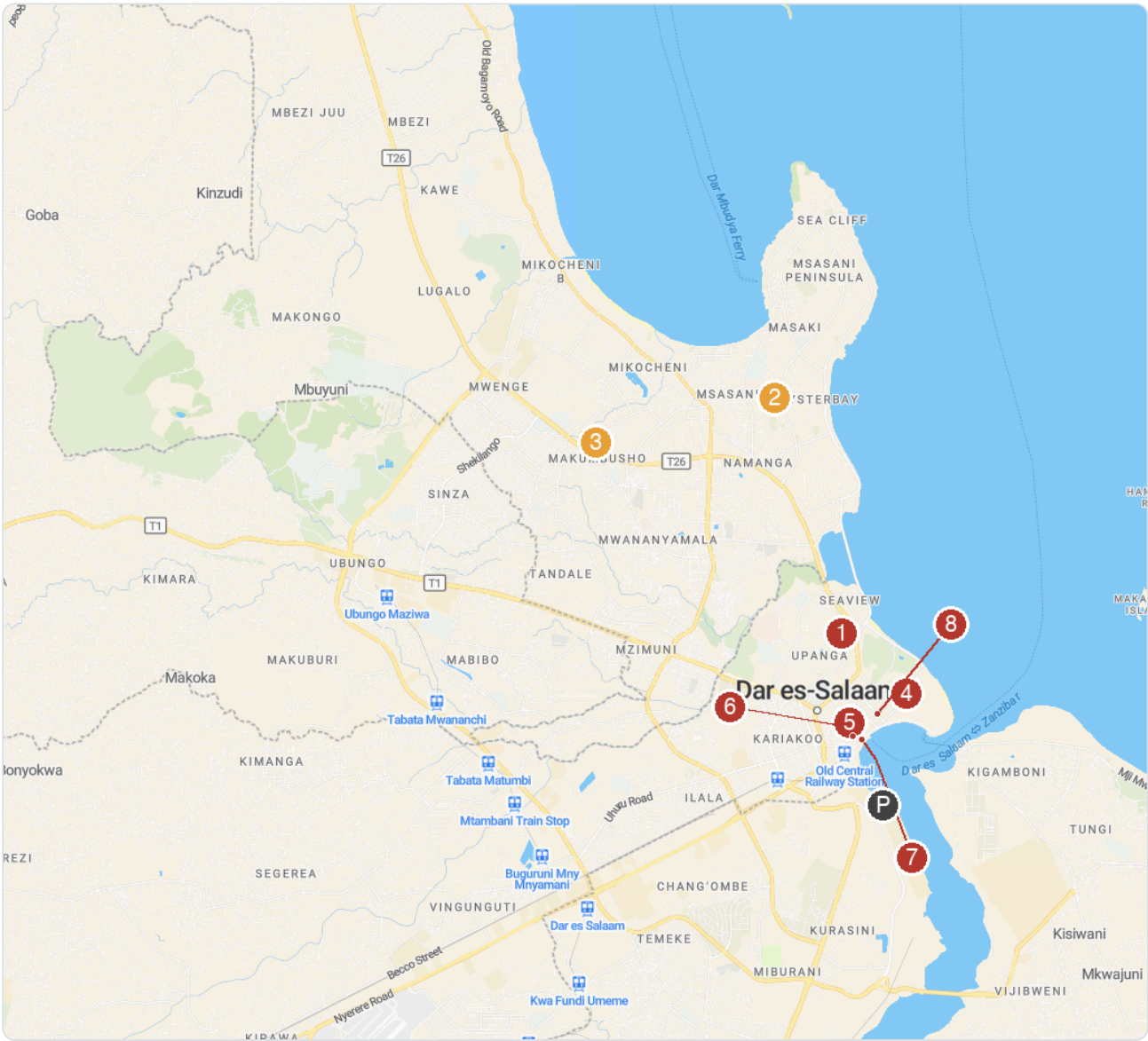
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- US dollars must be crisp and post-2013. Tanzanian banks routinely reject worn, torn, or older-series bills. Bring clean notes or withdraw TZS from ATMs in shopping malls.
- Use Uber or Bolt for transparent fares. Both apps work well in Dar. If taking a bajaji tuk-tuk, agree on the price before you get in — metering is rare.
- Dress modestly in the city. Tanzania is a conservative society. Cover shoulders and knees when visiting markets and historic sites — beachwear is strictly for island beaches.
- Watch for pickpockets in crowded markets. Carry your bag on your front, leave flashy jewelry on the ship, and keep phones out of sight in busy areas like Kariakoo Market.
- Zanzibar ferry: build in buffer. The ferry crossing is 1h45m each way. Confirm your ship's all-aboard time and the last afternoon departure before booking — missing your ship is a real (and costly) risk.
- It's hot and humid year-round. Dar sits just south of the equator. Hydrate, wear sunscreen, and avoid midday exertion. Light, breathable fabrics and a hat are essential.

Dar es Salaam, Tanzania — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



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| 1 | Masjid Maamur
مسجد | Prominent mosque, a key religious landmark in Dar. | 2 | Tinga Tinga Arts Cooperative Society | See and buy vibrant Tinga Tinga paintings directly from artists. |
| 3 | Village Museum | Open-air museum showcasing traditional Tanzanian tribal huts and culture. | 4 | National Museum and House of Culture | Tanzania's national museum, displaying history, culture, and archaeological finds. |
| 5 | KSIJ Dar es Salaam - Mosque | Prominent Shia Ithna-Asheri mosque, a community and architectural landmark. | 6 | Le Grande Casino | Modern casino offering gaming, entertainment, and dining options. |
| 7 | Old Boma | One of Dar's oldest colonial buildings, now a cultural center. | 8 | Askari Monument (Mnara wa Askari) | Bronze statue commemorating African soldiers of World War I. |
| P | Cruise port / terminal | | | | |